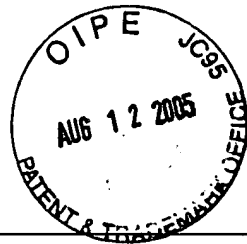


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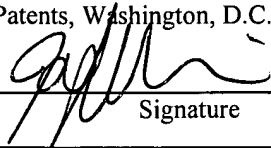


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Official Action mailed July 15, 2005, having a period for response that expires on August 15, 2005. Accordingly, the instant Response is timely filed.